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Applications Sought for Iowa Drug and Crime Fighting Projects

The Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) is now accepting applications for the State's portion of the federal Byrne-Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) programs. An estimated \$4,733,000 in total funding (approximately \$2,873,000 from the JAG American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, \$1,627,000 from regular JAG appropriations and \$233,000 from RSAT) will be available through ODCP's competitive grant process for the State fiscal year beginning July 1.

The JAG program makes it possible for states to support drug/crime control priorities, and to improve the criminal justice system. RSAT supports substance abuse treatment in state and local correctional and detention facilities. A portion of Iowa's JAG funds were appropriated in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, emphasizing job creation and preservation. A few separate JAG grants will be awarded directly to select local jurisdictions by the U.S. Department of Justice, which administers all JAG and RSAT funding at the federal level.

ODCP will consider applications that address priorities set forth in Iowa's 2010 Drug Control Strategy and align with JAG/RSAT program purpose areas (law enforcement programs; prosecution and court programs; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement programs; planning, evaluation and technology improvement programs; and crime victim and witness programs).

Local and State units of government, including Indian tribes, are eligible to apply to ODCP for JAG and RSAT grants. Faith based and non-profit organizations are also eligible to apply, in collaboration with government agencies.

April 5 is the deadline for submitting JAG and RSAT applications on line to ODCP, which intends to announce the recipients of grant awards by June 1.

For more information on the JAG or RSAT programs, go to ODCP's website at www.iowa.gov/odcp or contact Dennis Wiggins at 515-242-6391/dennis.wiggins@iowa.gov.